

Charley Ranney, conductor on the P. & O. train, had one bone in his leg broken while moving a car in the yard on Friday.

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On Saturday evening, Mr. and Mrs. William Peak, of the original Peak Family Swiss Bell Kingdom, will give a musical entertainment at the town hall, next week.

Mr. Peak assures us that the music from him is far superior to that from common bells, while the novelty must be greater.

Our postmaster has instructions to send no more mail going up the Central, over the P. & O., at 5 p. m., on account of a change of time on the Central.

Mr. Carpenter, the new postmaster, has completely renovated and improved the post office, making it much more convenient and pleasant. By the way, Mr. Carpenter is giving excellent satisfaction, for a new hand.

The lecture committee of the Young Men's Christian Association have arranged for lectures, November 23 from Dr. Hayes, and December 7 from Dr. J. G. Holland, also for a concert by the Camille Rose concert troupe, December 16.

The usually quiet precincts of the academy were somewhat disturbed last Friday evening by an attempt of several students to duck one of their number in the water trough in front of the school. The attempt was only partially successful.

The cause of the bathing was a suspicion that the student in question had been acting as a spy for the faculty, a suspicion which afterwards proved quite groundless. We are authorized to say that the employment of spies is considered to be in violation of the rules of discipline.

Three or four of the participants in the affair have been temporarily suspended from the school. Since writing the above we understand that the two principals in the affair were, on Wednesday morning, arrested on a civil suit, but on condition of leaving town by the first train, further legal proceedings were stayed.

STATE NEWS.

A swindler has been operating in Vermont and New Hampshire selling a perfume called "Amarantone" for an imaginary fair by the name of Warren, Johnson & Co., 37 Tremont street, Boston. A good many dealers and some publishers have been sucked in.

During the week ending October 16, more freight cars passed over the Central Vermont railroad than during any previous week since the road was built.

The "old mail" train on the Central has been taken off, and some slight changes made in the running of other trains.

There was quite a snow storm Sunday night. Eight inches fell in some places.

The executive committee of the Y. M. C. A. of Vermont, will hold a series of gospel meetings in Wilmington, Friday to Sunday next week.

The post office at Haverhill has been re-established and Cyrus Jennings appointed postmaster. Martin F. Allen appointed postmaster at North Ferrisburgh, vice Wheeler, resigned. The name of the office at Charlotte has been changed to North Charlotte and Mrs. Nancy E. Pope appointed postmistress.

An interesting case was argued in the Supreme Court at Montpelier last Friday. Last Corpus Christi day 150 Catholic children in Brattleboro stayed away from school by desire of their parents. The school committee refused to let the children return unless they would agree not to absent themselves under similar circumstances again. The parents would not consent to this, and the matter was brought into court. Decision withheld.

Sixty-four Sing Sing convicts passed up the Rutland and Burlington railroad on Friday on their way to the Clinton prison. At Middlebury three of the prisoners broke their shackles and leaped from the car windows, and two of them started for the town, while the other ran across the bridge over Otis Creek. The officers immediately fired upon them and gave chase. One of the men running toward the town, was hit and badly wounded, and both were captured and placed in the car. The train then left the station, and the officers were obliged to abandon the search for the third convict. At about four o'clock, Friday afternoon, a man dressed in prison garb was seen to enter a swamp about two miles below Middlebury. The alarm was at once given and soon a number of citizens living near by were on the trail. The convict was speedily recaptured, and after some hostile demonstration, surrendered himself. He was given some clothes, treated to a good supper and then lodged in Middlebury jail. When taken he was in an extremely pitiable condition, having been skulking through the woods and parading in the snow for some time.

The Vermont Central accounting investigation closed last week. Mr. Davenport for the bondholders making a long argument, followed by Judge Poland for the receiver. Judge Poland's argument was considered the most powerful, eloquent and thorough resume of this road's history ever delivered in any court. The masters now have the case, and the report is looked for with considerable interest.

Rev. F. E. Healy of West Burke has closed his labors with the Universalist church in that place and moves to Derby.

The court docket for December show 228 cases, besides 32 chancery cases.

Louis Dasher of East Burke, a vigorous, high-spirited fellow, while plowing, on the 19th of October, fell dead from heart disease.

Dennis May was seriously injured by a bull, in Waterford, a few days ago.

John Sheldon has bought of Silas Lackey, the old Stevens farm in Wheelock.

Isaac K. Gray of Sheffield lost a good horse, last Sunday, of epizootic.

Capt S. G. Gray of South Wheelock moves to Hovey Valley, R. L. next week, and is going into the manufacturing business there.

Henry Chase of Lyndon, last Saturday lost his thoroughbred English mare, by getting a broken leg in the pasture.

A person styling himself Prof. O. H. Henslowe, and claiming to be a wealthy individual from Minnesota though really of Bristol, N. H., has the past summer worked himself into the affections of a respectable young lady of Peacham and the good graces of her friends, and married her.

For Bristol and people in this vicinity who have his swindled style him a fraud.

Barnet has a little scandal all by itself. Last December, John F. Adams, a young farmer, was induced to sign bonds for the support of the child of a young woman there, though he did not admit its paternity, which the mother had charged upon him. A few weeks since, he paid \$250, and in return received from the selectmen an order on the overseer of the poor for the child which was in his care, and the child was put by Adams in an orphan's asylum at Boston. Thereupon the overseer of the poor had Adams arrested for abduction, paying the damages at \$20,000, as the order was not shown to him when Adams took the infant away.

Merrill J. Jensen of Sheffield, on returning home after a day's mining his stove.

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The Grange's tramp-spades.
Canada has now 232 Granges.

The regular monthly meetings of Middlesex Grange No. 80, will be held hereafter on the Wednesday preceding the full moon.

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The report of the secretary, showing the association to be in a more prosperous condition with greatly enlarged facilities and capabilities and a wider field of usefulness than at any former period, was duly accepted and approved.

Mr. Hildes desired to be excused from further service as secretary, complaining that the duties of the position were a heavy tax upon him, that he could not well afford. But several gentlemen urged him to retain his place for the present, promising to help him to make an earnest effort for his early relief.

On motion of C. S. McAllister of Keeseville, a committee of five, consisting of O. S. McAllister of Keeseville, D. L. Field of Milton, D. W. Nash of New Haven, Alney Stone of Westford, and I. T. Harris of Fairfax, were appointed by the president to report nominations of officers for the year.

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